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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Y. YAO, et al.
Serial No: 10/807,182
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Title: BIOMASS RESIN COMPOSITION, PROCESS FOR
PREPARING THE SAME AND MOLDING MATERIAL USING
THE BIOMASS COMPOSITION
Group: 1711
Examiner: Nathan M. NUTTER

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2007, Applicants submit the following remarks.

Claims 1, 2 and 5-17 are in the application. Claims 5-7, 11 and 14-17 stand withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention and species.

Claims 1-4, 8-10, 12 and 13 were rejected in the outstanding Office Action under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kunio, et al. (JP 05-140465) taken in view of Novotny, et al. (U.S. 2,300,307) and Tsujimoto, et al. (U.S. 5,110,915). The references were cited and combined for the reasons stated on pages 4 and 5 of the Office Action.

This rejection is hereby traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of Applicants' remarks set forth below.